



LIBERAL YOUTH

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Blessed are the liberal youth, for they are the hope of the world!

They do not know it, and they may not believe it, but with them is the heritage of yesterday, the answer to today's questions, and the glorious promise of the future.

This is a most extravagant statement, but when anyone ponders the condition of the civilized world today and reflects upon the various forces which are pulling this way and that, he will be brought to a point of agreement with this same extravagant statement.

The liberal youth are the hope of the world, because of their liberal faith. There are many orthodox people who have a faith simply because their fathers possessed it. They went to the church of their fathers when they were young children, and now that they have become young men and women they have kept it up. That is, a few of them have. But it is not their faith. They owe it only a verbal allegiance. To be sure, there are those who have really adopted it, but many orthodox young people are rendering their faith a mere lip service, because the things they are learning in high school five days a week contradict the things that are preached to them Sunday morning. It has come to be expected in orthodox circles that boys and girls of teen age will leave the Sunday school. It is a recognized problem in those churches.

Now the faith of the liberal young people is not contradicted by what they learn in high school. They study evolution during the week and on Sunday morning they receive from their minister the spiritual interpretation of evolution. They need no mental reservations when they follow the words of the service. They can sing fully and freely the hymns of the liberal faith. Life is a unity to them. There is no quarrel in their minds between "secular" and "sacred." Their faith is a part of their everyday life. God, the eternal power behind all

Charles Francis Potter, formerly minister of the West Side Meeting House of New York, writes this article from Antioch College, Ohio, where he is Executive Secretary.

This is the first of a series of articles to be written for Pegasus by leaders in liberal thought. That of the November issue will be written by John Haynes Holmes, minister of the Community Church, New York.

phenomena, is as much to be found in the week-day studies or in the work of the office or factory as he is to be found between the pages of an ancient sacred book.

Liberal youth today have a tremendous advantage over even their own liberal parents in the vast numbers of excellent books written from the modern point of view, which are available for their use. This heritage of yesterday expressed in words of today in the shape of such books as those of Van Loon, Wells, Thompson, Conklin, Wiggam, Men-

cken, Shaw, and a hundred others, is available for their use. What a marvelous improvement over the Pansy Books, the Rollo Books, the Henty Books, and similar plush fiction of yesterday!

Much has been said about the evil literature of the newsstands, and it is true that there is much vile matter available for those who are looking for it. Let us not forget, however, that the liberal youth of today has at his hand a marvelous group of really worthwhile magazines. If he cannot afford to subscribe for them for himself he can read them at the public library. Every one of the first class magazines favors the liberal point of view. Every newspaper in America worthy of the name is on the modern side in religion. With these marvelous helps available to him, the liberal youth has only himself to blame if he does not increase in mental wisdom and stature and in favor with God man.

The liberal young man or woman of today is infinitely better equipped to meet the questions of the moment than is the orthodox youth. It is impossible to keep the modern young person orthodox except by forcibly keeping him away from present-day life, and if he is kept away from modern life and is not allowed to read liberal books and magazines, he is not prepared to meet the questions which are assailing him from every quarter.

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Youth - In United Religious Effort

By SARA COMINS,

Executive Secretary, Young People's Religious Union

The year of 1925-26 presents a great opportunity to our Unitarian churches. Liberal religion is being denounced by those who are ignorant of its real nature, and is being craved by those who are unaware of it. The work of our church, and also its privilege is to make known our faith, live it, and share it. Whatever is the task of the church, is the task of the young people, and in this case, pre-eminently so, as it will be ours to carry on in the future what the present day ushers in.

The Y. P. R. U. which is the federated strength of the young people's societies of our churches, faces the challenge. What are the resources of the Y. P. R. U.? It serves two hundred and twenty-six societies in the United States and Canada. Central Headquarters in Boston is the clearing house for ideas and information. Branch headquarters in New York City, Chicago, and San Francisco head up these respective districts.

The first aim of the Y. P. R. U. is a strong organization—every church with a young people's society, every society affiliated with the central body. Upon the strength of each local unit depends the strength of the whole.

The cardinal principles of the Y. P. R. U. are Truth, Worship and Service. It can accomplish its highest work by putting these ideals into practice. This begins locally by each society bringing all possible young people into a friendly working group for developing a vital, liberal religion in each individual, and for building up the church. We can build up the church through our young people's society, never forgetting that we are a part of the whole church life. It is our job to know what we are a part of, and what we stand for, then reach out and bring in others to share it; to make our church a place where the lonely, the drifting and the new comers are welcomed and given a share in the work; to make membership in our church a matter of consecration and responsibility which is expressed by our hands, our pocket books, our brains and our souls; to make the church a place of increased beauty and reverent worship. It is our further job to help our church to serve the community.

Sunday meetings, informal fireside discussion groups or more formal forums and study classes are some of the means used to promote clear thinking along religious lines. The exchange of ideas and ideals, in a spirit of respect, and yet of fearless inquiry, makes for a closer approach to Truth.

Services of worship, particularly the hushed and reverent candle-light service, create a reverence that tinges our whole attitude of life. Channels for the social application of our religion abound in every community if we seek them intelligently. Hikes, parties, plays—all make for the firm friendship which is a big part of Y. P. R. U. spirit.

The work begins locally but extends beyond. Y. P. R. U. spirit promotes neighborliness between its own societies and also with young people of other denominations.

The power of united effort is felt in Young People's Sunday, when the youth of many of our churches (sometime may it be all of them!) conduct the services of worship and from the pulpit voice their convictions. At the summer conferences at Star Island and elsewhere, we actually come together from far and near to get the new light on practical and spiritual problems which inspire to further effort.

It is the aim of the central Y. P. R. U. to help the local groups to be more closely united. This we can do strengthening the means of communication (this paper is one of them) and by increasing the power of our summer conferences. Young People's missions in the churches, and student conferences on the college campus are part of a future plan which the Y. P. R. U. hopes to bring to pass very soon.

We also extend brotherly hands across the sea. We cannot be self sufficient in this age of near neighborliness. We have contacts with the youth of England, of Transylvania, of Holland and India. We hope to exchange ideas with them more and more, and to exchange visits also, when it comes to summer conferences.

Our Y. P. R. U.—what does it mean to us? It means the Young People's Church—which strives to develop in each individual soul a power that comes from the Source of Life; to bring that power to play in every relationship, every problem; and to increase the fellowship of such individuals to the end that the world may be a better place.

"Strength, vision and courage

We pledge to the life of the world."

—SARA COMINS.

Next Month—An article by Edward P. Furber, President of the Y. P. R. U.

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PROGRAMS

Of Interest and Profit

The following is presented to suggest a year's general program for local societies. It is reprinted from a booklet prepared by one of the Y. P. R. U. societies. Its purpose was to outline the year's activities to liberal young people who were prospects for membership.

Introduction

"The world is living in the dawn of a new day. It is the young people and none other, who will be bearing the heat and burden of this new day. You who are reading these words are part of this needed All Conquering Youth. This society endeavors to help young people accept this responsibility and realize to the fullest extent, this opportunity."

Aims

FELLOWSHIP

To provide good times for young people.

WORSHIP

To promote the spiritual growth of the individual.

SERVICE

To train for leadership; to help the community.

Activities

SUNDAY EVENING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Every Sunday evening. Supper, speaker, candle-light service, discussion, social hour.

DANCES

Informal monthly dances.

ATHLETICS

Hikes, basketball.

COMMUNITY NIGHT

Every Friday evening, dancing to victrola, and other social activities.

DRAMATICS

Plays three times a year with a cast of club members.

Membership

Open to all young people in sympathy with the society's aims.

Each month hereafter there will appear in this column an outline for a model program. It will be chosen from those prepared by persons particularly versed in the subject treated. Some of these have already been compiled. It is very much hoped, however, that the societies whose programs have proved of particular value will send outlines of them for publication here so that others may profit from their suggestions and experience.

A PAGE FROM THE Y. P. R. U. HANDBOOK

There is shortly to be published from headquarters of the Y. P. R. U. a handbook containing complete information about our organization and practical suggestions for carrying out its work. Each month a page from this handbook will be published in this column.

AFFILIATION

To become an Affiliated Society of the Young People's Religious Union a local society must: (1) Affirm in writing its sympathy with the general objects of the Y. P. R. U.; (2) Send to the Secretary, 16 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts, a list of its officers and their respective addresses; (3) Make an annual financial contribution to the Young People's Religious Union.

By complying with the above requirements a local society shall: (1) Be entitled to three voting delegates at the Annual Meeting of the Young People's Religious Union; (2) Receive official notices regarding district and national activities; (3) Receive a copy of Word and-Work numbers of the Christian Register.

Each affiliated society will be presented with a certificate, bearing the corporate seal, stating that the society has complied with the provisions of Article 3 of the By-Laws and is therefore duly affiliated with the Young People's Religious Union for that fiscal year.

Suggested Membership Contest

Two of the best ways to increase the membership of a society are to conduct a membership contest and hold a rally. For the contest, the members of the society should be divided into groups of equal numbers, each group trying to outdo its rivals in securing the most new members within a given period of time, the penalty of the losing groups being to entertain the winning group with a supper, a dance, or a presentation of dramatics.

The rally will be found effective in renewing interest in a society, or for beginning a year's work. A rally should begin with a supper and be followed by remarks by the minister, the president of the group, and by a speaker representing the Young People's Religious Union or somebody in entire sympathy with its aims and purposes. Officers and members of the society should extend cordial personal invitations to every available and eligible young person.

Hospitality is the keynote in meeting newcomers and guests; it is a good will builder. An efficient Hospitality Committee is one of the most essential elements contributing to a successful membership contest.

BOARD AND SUB-EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NEWS

September Meeting of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of the Y. P. R. U. met at General Headquarters in Boston on September 14. Everybody apparently felt much refreshed after the summer recess as the debates of the evening were less heated than usual. The good temper of the members was further evidenced by the fact that most of the votes were passed unanimously.

Two of our field secretaries, Miss Nancy B. Harsh and Mr. Newton E. Lincoln, were present to enjoy the proceedings before returning to their respective offices in New York and Chicago.

This was the first meeting at which absentee directors were allowed to vote, and the response of the absentees to their new opportunity was very gratifying. Directors of the Y. P. R. U. in every part of the United States and Canada may now have a direct influence in deciding all important questions that come before the Board.

This magazine results from the Board of Directors passing a motion at this meeting to empower a committee of Alan Marples, Chairman, Lillian Basil, Hans Walleen, Sidney Stewart, and Homer Rockwell to inquire into the possibilities of publishing a national monthly Y. P. R. U. magazine from the New York office, and to proceed with the issuance of the first number of such a periodical if the idea seemed feasible. New York was chosen as the publication office, as one of the steps toward carrying out the new policy of diversifying responsibilities among our various Y. P. R. U. centers.

Board Meeting in New York on November Eighth

On November 8 the Board of Directors will hold its second New York meeting. Last year one was held there for the first time. In view of its success and because of the splendid co-operation and hospitality of our New York members, it bids fair to become an annual occurrence.

Incidentally, this will permit some of our leading lights to take in the Harvard-Princeton football game at Princeton, especially President Ed Furber and Vice-President Charlie Bolster. We hope, in the interests of a peaceful and becoming Board meeting, that Harvard wins.

FEDERATION FINDINGS

The Essex Federation held its first fall meeting with the Essex Conference at Marblehead, Mass. on Sunday, October 25. The young people's speaker was J. Russell Wood of Cambridge, President of the Student Federation of Religious Lib-
erals.

The South Middlesex Federation announces the following program:

Religious Meetings

Sunday, November 22—"Modernism"

"Fundamentalism"

Sunday, February 14—"Catholicism"

"Judaism"

Sunday, April 1—"Unitarianism"

Annual Meeting

Social Meetings

October 18—Barn Party

January 8—Variety Show

March 19—Something Else

May 29—Picnic

The Barn party of the South Middlesex Federation which was given at the Arlington (Mass.) Unitarian Church, was a great success. A four-piece orchestra furnished music for dancing. A "Down East" atmosphere pervaded the gathering and old-fashioned New England refreshments were served, namely sweet cider and freshly fried doughnuts. No cases of indigestion were reported, and a wonderful time was had by all.

The Bay Shore Federation will open its year's program with a Hallowe'en Party on October 31 at the First Church, Hingham, Mass. A news Bulletin to be circulated among the member societies is an innovation this year.

A Minnesota Federation has been formed as a result of the Hanska (Minnesota) Conference of last summer. We wish the new Federation the best of luck and success. May other new Federations be formed in the year to come, and the Y. P. R. U. continue to grow in numbers and quality!

The Meadville Federation is publishing a paper this year entitled "Fellowship." In its opening editorial it says: "The purpose of this little paper is expressed in its name 'Fellowship'." And by reading it one feels it is nobly living up to its name. Alfred W. Hobart of the Meadville Theological School, is its editor.

The following is noted in their first edition:—"The old Y. P. R. U. Bulletin is to be resuscitated—it will soon make its appearance in one form or another." (The Bulletin is dead!!—Long live Pegasus!!)

Forty-eight members of the Boston Federation, representing nine different societies, started the year's activities with an all-day hike through the Blue Hills over the Sky Line Trail, beginning at Mattapan Square and ending at West Quincy.

The next event in the Federation program will be a Hallowe'en Party on October 31, to be held at the Second Church in Brookline.

The Metropolitan Federation of New York held its first rally at Orange, N. J., when a large group heeled and toed its way through the picturesque hills of Orange. The afternoon hike was followed by a business meeting, supper, speakers, candle-light service and dance.

LOCAL STATIONS

Boston and All Points West

The American Unitarian Association Moves Out

The American Unitarian Association has sold its building on the corner of Beacon and Bowdoin Streets in Boston to the Hotel Bellevue, which stands next to it. The Association intends to erect a new building scarcely a block away. The new site is a beautiful location, facing Boston Common, with the State House on one side and the stately houses of Beacon Street on the other. The building will not be ready for occupancy for another year. The Association has temporary quarters in the Lawyers Building, 11 Beacon Street, Boston, and headquarters at 16 Beacon Street.

THE Y. P. R. U. IMPRESSES THE LAYMEN'S LEAGUE

A conference of 200 local chapter officers of the Laymen's League, representing all sections of the United States and Canada, was held recently at Lenox, Mass. One of the speakers was President Furber of the Y. P. R. U. who gave an address on "Serving Young People." He urged each chapter of the League to encourage the young people's group in its respective church to affiliate with the national organization and take an active part in the life of the church. His speech was enthusiastically received and the conference passed a resolution recommending the League to support and co-operate in every way with the Y. P. R. U. and to aid especially with financial assistance, if necessary, in sending young people to the Isles of Shoals conferences.

HANDBOOK NEARLY READY

A Y. P. R. U. Handbook will be issued within a few weeks by the central organization. It will contain information about the organization, local societies, administration, and suggestions for activities. It will be obtainable at all four Y. P. R. U. Headquarters at 50c per copy. Local societies will find this handbook an invaluable aid in planning their work.

Two Y. P. R. U. members are taking the course for Parish Workers at Tuckerman School, Boston, this year, Greta Sundholm of Jamestown, N. Y. and Helen Destemps of Germantown, Pa.

Eleanor MacGregor, formerly of Providence, R. I. writes from Shelter Neck School, Watha, N. C. where she and Betty Sanger of New Bedford, Mass. are now installed as teachers, that they like the South. She is teaching Arithmetic, American History, English History, Health, Spelling, Geography, Reading and Household Arts.

The Boston young people are co-operating with other religious and social organizations in the city

in two new ventures. They are helping to plan and sponsor an Open Door Social Program for business people and students who are strangers and lonely. The Y. M. C. A. has offered its rooms on Sunday afternoons to this cause to provide a place where these young people will feel at home, where they can make friends, and enjoy entertainment of various sorts.

The Boston young people will also have a float of their own design in the Armistice Day parade which the Boston Federation of Churches is sponsoring, to represent the Growth of Peace in the world.

Buffalo and Niagara Falls young people had a "get together" on October 10 and 11.

On October 14 Miss Dorothy Peterson of the Harvard Street Unitarian Club of Cambridge, Mass. gave a delightful song recital for the benefit of the club at the Harvard Street Unitarian Church.

An after church discussion group of current religious and educational topics is being planned.

Newburyport, Mass. Y. P. R. U. opened its year's program with a rally supper on October 4. Thirty-two people attended and a candle-light service around the table concluded the evening.

Young People's Fellowship of Los Angeles, California has ordered a goodly supply of Y. P. R. U. pins which no doubt means that they are anxious to show their colors.

Carl Wetherell, Pacific Coast Secretary, reports that he is urging all young people's societies on the coast to affiliate immediately with the Y. P. R. U. and to do their share in furthering the work of the Foundation. He is prompting them to participate in a more liberal expression of the liberal cause in their respective communities.

The Channing Club of Berkeley, California held a joint meeting with the Epworth League of that section on September 27 with most satisfactory results.

A Young People's Dinner was held at the Cleveland Church during the General Conference on October 14. Edwin Wilson, President of the Meadville Federation was toastmaster. The main subject was "The Spirit of the Y. P. R. U.—thfulness," and the three speakers who developed the theme were Christine Rhoades, President of the Triangle Club of Cleveland, Amy Dubois, President of Channing Club of Cleveland and Charles S. Bolster, Executive Vice-President of Y. P. R. U. Miss Sara Comins, Executive Secretary of Y. P. R. U. was present at the Conference.



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THE UNITARIAN FOUNDATION

Five years ago the Unitarian Campaign, Inc., was organized, to solicit money with which to further denominational activities and more effectively to promote the work being done by Unitarians throughout the world. The spirit in which the Campaign was undertaken resulted in the raising of approximately \$2,400,000, which was used in maintaining and developing the work done by Unitarians during the years 1920-1925. This period has expired and a new organization, which is in reality a continuation of the old, has been formed to carry on the good work. The Unitarian Foundation, Inc. will collect money for denominational needs and purposes for the five year period from 1925 to 1930.

The following organizations will receive a share of these funds: The American Unitarian Association. Alliance of Unitarian Women; Unitarian Laymen's League; Young People's Religious Union; Christian Register; Meadville Theological School; Tuckerman School; Proctor Academy; National Federation of Religious Liberals; Unitarian Service Pension Fund; Society for Ministerial Relief; and All Soul's Church, Washington, D. C. which is the Unitarian contribution to the religious atmosphere of our National Capital. The total amount required is \$395,680 per year for the next five years which is about the same as raised between 1920 and 1925 under the auspices of the Unitarian Campaign, Inc.

It is decidedly for the interests of the Y. P. R. U. to get behind The Foundation to the fullest extent of its ability in order that the Unitarian denomination may be kept in efficient working condition and enabled to develop and enlarge its religious and charitable work. We have been given an allotment from the funds to be raised which is adequate for our present needs and which will enable us to make additions to our activities. You will be told more in detail in the next issue of "Pegasus" how you can help in raising money for this great cause. In the meantime, boost The Foundation wherever you go, and send in your own pledge card either to 16 Beacon Street, or to Foundation Headquarters, at Unity House, Boston.

—CHARLES S. BOLSTER,

Executive Vice-President, Y. P. R. U.,
 Trustee and Member Executive Committee,
 Unitarian Foundation, Inc.

The future of "Pegasus" depends upon you. To insure its regular publication read page 7 and—act.

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The great problem of the day is a spiritual one. There are three courses which a young man or woman may take. He may remain orthodox and stand by the faith of his fathers, rejecting the scientific teachings which are given him in high school and college, but this is becoming increasingly difficult every day. Or, as a second choice he may break with his fathers' religion, call himself an agnostic, accept the teachings of science, and let religion go by the board altogether. The third course avoids the obvious difficulties of the other two. It accepts the statements of scientific men if they seem reasonable. It also accepts religion which is in accord with the facts of science. By so doing the modern problem is solved and the individual's life becomes a unit.

Few people realize how important it is that this unity of reason and belief should be attained by the young person of today. With this for a foundation, the building of character is easy. One of the

tragedies of college life today is the youth who has found that his religious heritage and his recently acquired education are fighting each other. This conflict within him makes it impossible for him to do his best work. But if that conflict be resolved, if he have the foundation or a firm faith, and if his mental life be unified, then his field of accomplishment is limitless.

Such young men and women will be masters of opportunity and captains of progress. I am quite confident that the great majority of even the orthodox young men and women in our schools and colleges today, in industrial and other fields as well, are going to work this thing out all right in time. The liberal youth, however, starts with a great advantage. His difficulties are largely solved, and it is the liberal young people of today who will be the leading men and women of tomorrow. It is upon them that the future of civilization largely depends.

Blessed are the liberal youth, for they are the hope of the world!

PEGASUS—DEPENDS UPON YOU

As members of the Young People's Religious Union we have certain common meeting grounds where we gather to interchange our ideas and thereby strengthen our national organization and our local societies. There is Star Island, the Mecca of our denomination, where each year a few hundred of us meet in conference. There are our district conferences and our Federation meetings which aid so much in the development of our local societies. These conferences have far-flung results. It is in them that the desire for accomplishment is roused, that the energy for achievement is created.

There is however a need for more frequent opportunities for coming together, and more frequent interchanging of ideas. All of us may not be able to attend our conferences at the Shoals yet all of us want the benefits of our organization's growth and want to aid it.

To meet this need and to bind our local societies into a more perfect union this magazine will be published nine times during the year. Its pages are ready to receive contributions from our young people in every part of the country; they will be open for criticism and suggestions; they will carry ideas from one member and one group to all members and every group; they will contain in every issue fresh news from headquarters, and reports of our national and international activities; they will carry helpful suggestions of methods of organizing and developing local societies; in each issue there will be an article by one of the leaders in our denomination or in other liberal bodies of the country. In short, we shall have a clearing house of our ideas, a meeting place where we can gather regularly to foster our growth. One of the regular features of this bulletin will be the column on the back page conducted by Hans A. Walleen. Mr. Walleen who was one of the editors and columnists as well as the illustrator of the "Star Island Sand Piper," will also illustrate the other pages of this publication.

We said that this bulletin would be published nine times a year—That Depends—it depends upon the members of the Y. P. R. U.—it depends upon you. There is one thing that is positively essential to the success of this publication—a wide circulation among our young people; first because of the benefits that will accrue to our local societies from having members well acquainted with our central organization's work, and secondly because this periodical must be self-supporting. In order to finance its publication it is absolutely essential to have at an early date, a subscription list of one hundred per cent of the members of the Y. P. R. U. The subscription price is \$1.00 per year. Yours is needed. Fill in the blank below and mail it now—with your dollar.

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WHAT-NOT?

Sparks from the Heels of Pegasus

Pegasus, in certain of the Greek fables, is the horse of Eos, the morning. Because he is said to have stamped on the ground of Mt. Helicon, and caused the fountain of the Muses, Hippocrene, to gush forth—he is regarded as the symbol of poetry. But this is a modern attribute and was unknown to the ancients. Let us think of him here rather as the snow white horse of the morning, the Youth of the Day, spreading his wings with a muffled thunder and flashing upward to empyrean heights amid a shower of sparks from his golden heels.



If you think it is too breathless, too frightening, do not attempt to mount him as he springs into the ether, toward twinkling asteroids—through clouds of star dust. But if you have had some modest little thought strike fire in your imagination, some flimsy little rhyme, perhaps, that has a happy lilt, or what not, let's imagine that it's a spark left behind by his heels, and let's print it here while it yet flames.

Just empty dreams we here would nurse—
Stray thoughts, a foolish quip, perchance a verse—
Most any literary spree, and worse

You'll find upon this page. What-not, indeed?

True, life is real, & earnest; yet it seems
We'd spend some part of life in empty dreams—
In trailing rainbows 'mid the gay sunbeams.
These, then, the sparks struck by the flying steed.

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Elizabeth Hall writes in from Smith College to urge everyone to "hustle and join in with pep," so that the A. U. A., the Alliance and the Laymen's League may all point with pride to the Y. P. R. U. as "the salt of the earth." A worthy aspiration; but shall we become so much "the salt of the earth" that we drive our older affiliations to drink, or shall we be the spice which adds novelty and zest to the old and tried, wherever we find it flat?

"What-Not?" expects to have very good friends in Elizabeth Hall and Fred McGill, Jr., of Newton Highlands, Massachusetts. Can it be that Fred's ancestors are of Celtic strain, since he cherishes such a Gaelic belief in fairies and gossamer sprites? Shoalers will remember the fable which appeared in the Sand Piper concerning the two fantastic brothers, Egg-Nogg and Dum-Bunni. In the following "little glimpses of Arcadia," Fred has happily fallen into the very mood of this page. Here he treats of a theme more familiar to the classics with, as he puts it, "apologies to Virgil and deeper apologies to all lovers of Virgil":

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Corydon, the aged swineherd, he of the unkempt beard and the laurel garland, drapes himself upon the sward while his wandering herd tramples the corn of Alexis; and with expanded mouth and expectant teeth allures a sliced-ham sandwich. This accomplished, he has scarcely drawn his shepherd's pipe from a hollow tree, and filled the bowl with moist Prince Albert, when a band of nymphs and sylphs glides from the neighboring copse. Playfully they pelt him with small bricks and chestnut burrs; until, enraptured by their naïveté, he volunteers to sing to them a ballad passed down from the twentieth-century Jazz Era. Sportively blowing pungent smoke-rings in the faces of the throng, he first invokes the gods and then, quoth he:

"Oh weep! For I am telling of a wretch who would be dead!
A loathsome hole his dwelling, the dust of years his bed;

A valiant erst-while victor,
A long-unvanquished victor,
Now victim to a victor,

A conqueror conquered!

"His face is lined and battered, it bears the scars of steel
Received when nothing mattered but serving others' weal.

He calls no man to arms now
Men heed not his alarms now
His rivals call to arms now:

His name has lost appeal.

"All night he sobs in sorrow; some swear they've heard him
groan;

But ever on the morrow his face is set as stone—

For he's a Victor Record,
A vain old Victor Record,
A banished Victor Record,

A Victor 'All Alone!'

"Eheu nos miseras! Eheu! Eheu!" wails the woodland
band, and vents its emotion in an orgy of leap-frog.

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Fred, it seems to us, has the master's voice. We have only one suggestion for alleviating the loneliness of cast-off phonograph records. For instance, drag this miserable creature "All Alone" away from the telephone long enough to be introduced to a pathetic record which we have heard just once too often, "Oh! How I Miss You Tonight!" They might both forget their sorrow.



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We ought to say a word toward boosting subscriptions. Well, since we've already foundered in the quicksands of mythology we may as well tell you what the gods themselves think about our magazine. Sinking through the sands we come upon our old friends Venus, Zeus, Diana, Apollo and all the others whom we used to call by their first names in our school days. We quote the following and will furnish their address upon request.

Said Athena, the patron goddess of literature, as she drained the dregs from a barrel of nectar, "Pegasus has some pretty fine writing. I was somewhat of a scrivener myself when young, but I must say these folks who write the stuff for Pegasus certainly wag a fidgity Waterman!"

"And the tone of the thing, the marvelous tone!" sang Orpheus as he clawed the strings of his harp in envy. "I am sorely pressed to equal it on my lyre."

"Some lyre," drawled the ever practical Paris (though it was a rude interruption from one who had no business to speak). Paris seems to think that whenever a new spark appears on the back page, the contributor automatically becomes the object of target practice for the entire Y. P. R. U. In order to protect new contributors, therefore, he will donate to each one a new pair of his famous Paris garters. No metal can touch you—and may you live to contribute again!

The only one who frowns on our magazine is Mars, God of War. "I'm afraid," he muttered, "that Pegasus will put me on the shelf."

And Eirene, Goddess of Peace, answered him saying, «Βούλομαι εἰσέλθῃς», which is Greek for, "I hope to tell you it will!"

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No more Mythology next month. We promise to be a good Unitarian.

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